

**WHAT IS CLAIMED IS**

1. A compound of Formula I:



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or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein

D is  $-\text{NH}-\text{C}(\text{O})-\text{NH}-$ ,

A is a substituted moiety of up to 40 carbon atoms of the formula:  $-\text{L}-(\text{M}-\text{L}^1)_q$ , where L is a 5 or 6 membered cyclic structure bound directly to D,  $\text{L}^1$  comprises a substituted 10 cyclic moiety having at least 5 members, M is a bridging group having at least one atom, q is an integer of from 1-3; and each cyclic structure of L and  $\text{L}^1$  contains 0-4 members of the group consisting of nitrogen, oxygen and sulfur, and

B is a substituted or unsubstituted pyridyl, quinolinyl or isoquinolinyl group,

wherein  $\text{L}^1$  is substituted by at least one substituent selected from the group consisting of  $-\text{SO}_2\text{R}_x$ ,  $-\text{C}(\text{O})\text{R}_x$  and  $-\text{C}(\text{NR}_y)\text{R}_z$ ,

$\text{R}_y$  is hydrogen or a carbon based moiety of up to 24 carbon atoms optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally halosubstituted, up to per halo,

$\text{R}_z$  is hydrogen or a carbon based moiety of up to 30 carbon atoms optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by halogen, hydroxy and carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen;

$\text{R}_x$  is  $\text{R}_z$  or  $\text{NR}_a\text{R}_b$  where  $\text{R}_a$  and  $\text{R}_b$  are

a) independently hydrogen,

25 a carbon based moiety of up to 30 carbon atoms optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by halogen, hydroxy and carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen, or

- $\text{OSi}(\text{R}_f)_3$  where  $\text{R}_f$  is hydrogen or a carbon based moiety of up to 24 carbon atoms 30 optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by halogen, hydroxy and carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally

contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen; or

- b) R<sub>a</sub> and R<sub>b</sub> together form a 5-7 member heterocyclic structure of 1-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, or a substituted 5-7 member heterocyclic structure of 1-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O substituted by halogen, hydroxy or carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen; or
- c) one of R<sub>a</sub> or R<sub>b</sub> is -C(O)-, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>5</sub> divalent alkylene group or a substituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>5</sub> divalent alkylene group bound to the moiety L to form a cyclic structure with at least 5 members, wherein the substituents of the substituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>5</sub> divalent alkylene group are selected from the group consisting of halogen, hydroxy, and carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen;

where B is substituted, L is substituted or L<sup>1</sup> is additionally substituted, the substituents are selected from the group consisting of halogen, up to per-halo, and W<sub>n</sub>, where n is 0-3;

wherein each W is independently selected from the group consisting of -CN, -CO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>7</sup>, -C(O)NR<sup>7</sup>R<sup>7</sup>, -C(O)-R<sup>7</sup>, -NO<sub>2</sub>, -OR<sup>7</sup>, -SR<sup>7</sup>, -NR<sup>7</sup>R<sup>7</sup>, -NR<sup>7</sup>C(O)OR<sup>7</sup>, -NR<sup>7</sup>C(O)R<sup>7</sup>, -Q-Ar, and carbon based moieties of up to 24 carbon atoms, optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of -CN, -CO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>7</sup>, -C(O)R<sup>7</sup>, -C(O)NR<sup>7</sup>R<sup>7</sup>, -OR<sup>7</sup>, -SR<sup>7</sup>, -NR<sup>7</sup>R<sup>7</sup>, -NO<sub>2</sub>, -NR<sup>7</sup>C(O)R<sup>7</sup>, -NR<sup>7</sup>C(O)OR<sup>7</sup> and halogen up to per-halo; with each R<sup>7</sup> independently selected from H or a carbon based moiety of up to 24 carbon atoms, optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by halogen,

wherein Q is a single bond -O-, -S-, -N(R<sup>7</sup>)-, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>-, -C(O)-, -CH(OH)-, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>O-, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>S-, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>N(R<sup>7</sup>)-, -O(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>- CHX<sup>a</sup>-, -CX<sup>a</sup>-, -S-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>- and -N(R<sup>7</sup>)(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>-, wherein m=1-3, and X<sup>a</sup> is halogen; and

Ar is a 5- or 6-member aromatic structure containing 0-2 members selected from the group consisting of nitrogen, oxygen and sulfur, which is optionally substituted by halogen,

up to per-halo, and optionally substituted by  $Z_{n1}$ , wherein  $n1$  is 0 to 3 and each  $Z$  is independently selected from the group consisting of -CN, -CO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>7</sup>, -C(O)R<sup>7</sup>, -C(O)NR<sup>7</sup>R<sup>7</sup>, -NO<sub>2</sub>, -OR<sup>7</sup>, -SR<sup>7</sup>, -NR<sup>7</sup>R<sup>7</sup>, -NR<sup>7</sup>C(O)OR<sup>7</sup>, -NR<sup>7</sup>C(O)R<sup>7</sup>, and a carbon based moiety of up to 24 carbon atoms, optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from the group consisting of -CN, -CO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>7</sup>, -COR<sup>7</sup>, -C(O)NR<sup>7</sup>R<sup>7</sup>, -OR<sup>7</sup>, -SR<sup>7</sup>, -NO<sub>2</sub>, -NR<sup>7</sup>R<sup>7</sup>, -NR<sup>7</sup>C(O)R<sup>7</sup>, and -NR<sup>7</sup>C(O)OR<sup>7</sup>, with R<sup>7</sup> is defined above.

2. A compound as in claim 1 wherein:

R<sub>y</sub> is hydrogen, C<sub>1-10</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1-10</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>3-10</sub> cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms, C<sub>2-10</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>1-10</sub> alkenoyl, C<sub>6-12</sub> aryl, C<sub>3-12</sub> hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, C<sub>7-24</sub> aralkyl, C<sub>7-24</sub> alkaryl, substituted C<sub>1-10</sub> alkyl, substituted C<sub>1-10</sub> alkyl, substituted C<sub>1-10</sub> alkoxy, substituted C<sub>3-10</sub> cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, substituted C<sub>6-C<sub>14</sub></sub> aryl, substituted C<sub>3-12</sub> hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, substituted C<sub>7-24</sub> alkaryl or substituted C<sub>7-C<sub>24</sub></sub> aralkyl, where R<sub>y</sub> is a substituted group, it is substituted by halogen up to per halo,

R<sub>z</sub> is hydrogen, C<sub>1-10</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1-10</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>3-10</sub> cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatom, C<sub>2-10</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>1-10</sub> alkenoyl, C<sub>6-12</sub> aryl, C<sub>3-C<sub>12</sub></sub> hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from S, N and O, C<sub>7-24</sub> alkaryl, C<sub>7-24</sub> aralkyl, substituted C<sub>1-10</sub> alkyl, substituted C<sub>1-10</sub> alkoxy, substituted C<sub>6-C<sub>14</sub></sub> aryl, substituted C<sub>3-C<sub>10</sub></sub> cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from S, N and O, substituted C<sub>3-12</sub> hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from S, N and O, substituted C<sub>7-24</sub> alkaryl or substituted C<sub>7-C<sub>24</sub></sub> aralkyl where R<sub>z</sub> is a substituted group, it is substituted by halogen up to per halo, hydroxy, C<sub>1-10</sub> alkyl, C<sub>3-12</sub> cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from O, S and N, C<sub>3-12</sub> hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, C<sub>1-10</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>6-12</sub> aryl, C<sub>1-6</sub> halo substituted alkyl up to per halo alkyl, C<sub>6-C<sub>12</sub></sub> halo substituted aryl up to per halo aryl, C<sub>3-C<sub>12</sub></sub> halo substituted cycloalkyl up to per halo cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, halo substituted C<sub>3-12</sub> hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S, halo substituted C<sub>7-C<sub>24</sub></sub> aralkyl up to per halo aralkyl, halo substituted C<sub>7-C<sub>24</sub></sub> alkaryl up to per halo alkaryl, and -C(O)R<sub>g</sub>,

R<sub>a</sub> and R<sub>b</sub> are,

- a) independently hydrogen,

a carbon based moiety selected from the group consisting of C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> cycloalkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkenoyl, C<sub>6</sub>-C<sub>12</sub> aryl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>12</sub> hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>12</sub> cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, C<sub>7</sub>-C<sub>24</sub> aralkyl, C<sub>7</sub>-C<sub>24</sub> alkaryl, substituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkyl, substituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkoxy, substituted C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> cycloalkyl, having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, substituted C<sub>6</sub>-C<sub>12</sub> aryl, substituted C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>12</sub> hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, substituted C<sub>7</sub>-C<sub>24</sub> aralkyl, substituted C<sub>7</sub>-C<sub>24</sub> alkaryl, where R<sub>a</sub> and R<sub>b</sub> are a substituted group, they are substituted by halogen up to per halo, hydroxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkyl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>12</sub> cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from O, S and N, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>12</sub> hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>6</sub>-C<sub>12</sub> aryl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> halo substituted alkyl up to per halo alkyl, C<sub>6</sub>-C<sub>12</sub> halo substituted aryl up to per halo aryl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>12</sub> halo substituted cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, up to per halo cycloalkyl, halo substituted C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>12</sub> hetaryl up to per halo hetaryl, halo substituted C<sub>7</sub>-C<sub>24</sub> aralkyl up to per halo aralkyl, halo substituted C<sub>7</sub>-C<sub>24</sub> alkaryl up to per halo alkaryl, and -C(O)R<sub>g</sub>; or

-OSi(R<sub>f</sub>)<sub>3</sub> where R<sub>f</sub> is hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from O, S and N, C<sub>6</sub>-C<sub>12</sub> aryl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>12</sub> hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, S and N, C<sub>7</sub>-C<sub>24</sub> aralkyl, substituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkyl, substituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkoxy, substituted C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>12</sub> cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from O, S and N, substituted C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>12</sub> hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, S, and N, substituted C<sub>6</sub>-C<sub>12</sub> aryl, and substituted C<sub>7</sub>-C<sub>24</sub> alkaryl, where R<sub>f</sub> is a substituted group it is substituted by halogen up to per halo, hydroxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkyl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>12</sub> cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from O, S and N, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>12</sub> hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>6</sub>-C<sub>12</sub> aryl, C<sub>y</sub>-C<sub>24</sub> alkaryl, C<sub>7</sub>-C<sub>24</sub> aralkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> halo substituted alkyl up to per halo alkyl, C<sub>6</sub>-C<sub>12</sub> halo substituted aryl up to per halo aryl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>12</sub> halo substituted cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, up to per halo cycloalkyl, halo substituted C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>12</sub> hetaryl up to per halo hetaryl, halo substituted C<sub>7</sub>-C<sub>24</sub> aralkyl up to per halo aralkyl, halo substituted C<sub>7</sub>-C<sub>24</sub> alkaryl up to per halo alkaryl, and -C(O)R<sub>g</sub>,

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or

- b) R<sub>a</sub> and R<sub>b</sub> together from a 5-7 member heterocyclic structure of 1-3

heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, or a substituted 5-7 member heterocyclic structure of 1-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O with substituents selected from the group consisting of halogen up to per halo, hydroxy, C<sub>1-10</sub> alkyl, C<sub>3-12</sub> cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from O, S and N, C<sub>3-12</sub> hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from N, 5 S and O, C<sub>1-10</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>6-12</sub> aryl, C<sub>7-C<sub>24</sub></sub> alkaryl, C<sub>7-C<sub>24</sub></sub> aralkyl, halo substituted C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl up to per halo alkyl, halo substituted C<sub>6-C<sub>12</sub></sub> aryl up to per halo aryl, halo substituted C<sub>3-C<sub>12</sub></sub> cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, up to per halo cycloalkyl, halo substituted C<sub>3-C<sub>12</sub></sub> hetaryl up to per halo heteraryl, halo substituted C<sub>7-C<sub>12</sub></sub> aralkyl up to per halo aralkyl, halo substituted C<sub>7-C<sub>24</sub></sub> alkaryl up to per halo alkaryl, and -C(O)R<sub>g</sub>,

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or

c) one of R<sub>a</sub> or R<sub>b</sub> is -C(O)-, a C<sub>1-C<sub>5</sub></sub> divalent alkylene group or a substituted C<sub>1-C<sub>5</sub></sub> divalent alkylene group bound to the moiety L to form a cyclic structure with at least 5 members,

wherein the substituents of the substituted C<sub>1-C<sub>5</sub></sub> divalent alkylene group are selected from the group consisting of halogen, hydroxy, C<sub>1-10</sub> alkyl, C<sub>3-12</sub> cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from O, S and N, C<sub>3-12</sub> hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, C<sub>1-10</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>6-12</sub> aryl, C<sub>7-C<sub>24</sub></sub> alkaryl, C<sub>7-C<sub>24</sub></sub> aralkyl, C<sub>1-6</sub> halo substituted alkyl up to per halo alkyl, C<sub>6-C<sub>12</sub></sub> halo substituted aryl up to per halo aryl, C<sub>3-C<sub>12</sub></sub> halo substituted cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, up to per halo cycloalkyl, halo substituted C<sub>3-C<sub>12</sub></sub> hetaryl up to per halo heteraryl, halo substituted C<sub>7-C<sub>24</sub></sub> aralkyl up to per halo aralkyl, halo substituted C<sub>7-C<sub>24</sub></sub> alkaryl up to per halo alkaryl, and -C(O)R<sub>g</sub>,

where R<sub>g</sub> is C<sub>1-10</sub> alkyl; -CN, -CO<sub>2</sub>R<sub>d</sub>, -OR<sub>d</sub>, -SR<sub>d</sub>, -NO<sub>2</sub>, -C(O)R<sub>e</sub>, -NR<sub>d</sub>R<sub>e</sub>, -NR<sub>d</sub>C(O)OR<sub>e</sub> and -NR<sub>d</sub>C(O)R<sub>e</sub>, and R<sub>d</sub> and R<sub>e</sub> are independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, C<sub>1-10</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1-10</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>3-10</sub> cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S, C<sub>6-12</sub> aryl, C<sub>3-C<sub>12</sub></sub> hetaryl with 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S and C<sub>7-C<sub>24</sub></sub> aralkyl, C<sub>7-C<sub>24</sub></sub> alkaryl, up to per halo substituted C<sub>1-C<sub>10</sub></sub> alkyl, up to per halo substituted C<sub>3-C<sub>10</sub></sub> cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S, up to per halo substituted C<sub>6-C<sub>14</sub></sub> aryl, up to per halo substituted C<sub>3-C<sub>12</sub></sub> hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N, and S, halo substituted C<sub>7-C<sub>24</sub></sub> alkaryl up to per halo alkaryl, and up to per halo substituted C<sub>7-C<sub>24</sub></sub> aralkyl,

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W is independently selected from the group consisting of -CN, -CO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>7</sup>, -C(O)NR<sup>7</sup>R<sup>7</sup>, -C(O)-R<sup>7</sup>, -NO<sub>2</sub>, -OR<sup>7</sup>, -SR<sup>7</sup>, -NR<sup>7</sup>R<sup>7</sup>, -NR<sup>7</sup>C(O)OR<sup>7</sup>, -NR<sup>7</sup>C(O)R<sup>7</sup>, C<sub>1</sub>-c<sub>10</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkenoyl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from O, S and N, C<sub>6</sub>-C<sub>14</sub> aryl, C<sub>7</sub>-C<sub>24</sub> alkaryl, C<sub>7</sub>-C<sub>24</sub> aralkyl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>12</sub> heteroaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S, C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>23</sub> alkoheteroaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S, substituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkyl, substituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkoxy, substituted C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkenyl, substituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkenoyl, substituted C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S, substituted C<sub>6</sub>-C<sub>12</sub> aryl, substituted C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>12</sub> hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S, substituted C<sub>7</sub>-C<sub>24</sub> aralkyl, substituted C<sub>7</sub>-C<sub>24</sub> alkaryl, substituted C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>23</sub> alkoheteroaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S, and -Q-Ar;

R<sup>7</sup> is independently selected from H, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkenoyl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from O, S and N, C<sub>6</sub>-C<sub>14</sub> aryl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>13</sub> hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S, C<sub>7</sub>-C<sub>14</sub> alkaryl, C<sub>7</sub>-C<sub>24</sub> aralkyl, C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>23</sub> alkoheteroaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S, up to per-halosubstituted C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>13</sub> hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S, up to per-halosubstituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkyl, up to per-halosubstituted C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S, up to per-halosubstituted C<sub>6</sub>-C<sub>14</sub> aryl, up to per-halosubstituted C<sub>7</sub>-C<sub>24</sub> aralkyl, up to per-halosubstituted C<sub>7</sub>-C<sub>24</sub> alkaryl, and up to per-halosubstituted C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>23</sub> alkoheteroaryl; and

each Z is independently selected from the group consisting of -CN, -CO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>7</sup>, -C(O)R<sup>7</sup>, -C(O)NR<sup>7</sup>R<sup>7</sup>, -NO<sub>2</sub>, -OR<sup>7</sup>, -SR<sup>7</sup>, -NR<sup>7</sup>R<sup>7</sup>, -NR<sup>7</sup>C(O)OR<sup>7</sup>, -NR<sup>7</sup>C(O)R<sup>7</sup>, C<sub>1</sub>-c<sub>10</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkenoyl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S, C<sub>6</sub>-C<sub>14</sub> aryl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>13</sub> hetaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S, C<sub>7</sub>-C<sub>24</sub> alkaryl, C<sub>7</sub>-C<sub>24</sub> aralkyl, C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>23</sub> alkoheteroaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S, substituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkyl, substituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkoxy, substituted C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkenyl, substituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkenoyl, substituted C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> cycloalkyl having 0-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and S, substituted C<sub>6</sub>-C<sub>12</sub> aryl, substituted C<sub>7</sub>-C<sub>24</sub> alkaryl, substituted C<sub>7</sub>-C<sub>24</sub> aralkyl and substituted C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>23</sub> alkoheteroaryl having 1-3 heteroatoms selected from O, N and

S; wherein if Z is a substituted group, the one or more substituents are selected from the group consisting of -CN, -CO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>7</sup>, -COR<sup>7</sup>, -C(O)NR<sup>7</sup>R<sup>7</sup>, -OR<sup>7</sup>, -SR<sup>7</sup>, -NO<sub>2</sub>, -NR<sup>7</sup>R<sup>7</sup>, -NR<sup>7</sup>C(O)R<sup>7</sup>, and -NR<sup>7</sup>C(O)OR<sup>7</sup>.

- 5       3. A compound as in claim 1 wherein M is one or more bridging groups selected from the group consisting of -O-, -S-, -N(R<sup>7</sup>)-, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>- , -C(O)-, -CH(OH)-, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>O-, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>S-, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>N(R<sup>7</sup>)-, -O(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>-, CHX<sup>a</sup>-, -CX<sup>a</sup><sub>2</sub>-, -S-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>- and -N(R<sup>7</sup>)(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>-, where m= 1-3, X<sup>a</sup> is halogen and R<sup>7</sup> is as defined in claim
- 10      4. A compound as in claim 1 wherein the cyclic structures of B and L bound directly to D are not substituted in the ortho position by -OH.
- 15      5. A compound of claim 1 wherein B of Formula I is a substituted pyridyl, substituted quinolinyl or isoquinolinyl group substituted 1 to 3 times by 1 or more substituents selected from the group consisting of -CN, halogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkoxy, -OH, up to per halo substituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkyl, up to per halo substituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkoxy or phenyl substituted by halogen up to per halo.
- 20      6. A compound of claim 1, wherein L, the six member cyclic structure bound directly to D, is a substituted or unsubstituted 6 member aryl moiety or a substituted or unsubstituted 6 member hetaryl moiety, wherein said hetaryl moiety has 1 to 4 members selected from the group of heteroatoms consisting of nitrogen, oxygen and sulfur with the balance of said hetaryl moiety being carbon, wherein the one or more substituents are selected from the group consisting of halogen and W<sub>n</sub> wherein W and n are as defined in claim 1.
- 25      7. A compound of claim 1, wherein L, the 6 member cyclic structure bound directly to D, is a substituted phenyl, unsubstituted phenyl, substituted pyrimidinyl, unsubstituted pyrimidinyl, substituted pyridyl or unsubstituted pyridyl group.
- 30      8. A compound of claim 1, wherein said substituted cyclic moiety L<sup>1</sup> comprises a 5 to 6

membered aryl moiety or hetaryl moiety, wherein said heteraryl moiety comprises 1 to 4 members selected from the group of heteroatoms consisting of nitrogen, oxygen and sulfur.

5        9. A compound of claim 1, wherein said substituted cyclic moiety L<sup>1</sup> is phenyl, pyridinyl or pyrimidinyl.

10      10. A compound of claim 7, wherein said substituted cyclic moiety L<sup>1</sup> is phenyl, pyridinyl or pyrimidinyl.

11. A compound of claim 10, wherein M is one or more bridging groups selected from the group consisting of -O-, -S-, -N(R<sup>7</sup>)-, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>-, -C(O)-, -CH(OH)-, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>O-, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>S-, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>N(R<sup>7</sup>)-, -O(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>- CHX<sup>a</sup>-, -CX<sup>a</sup><sub>2</sub>-, -S-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>- and -N(R<sup>7</sup>)(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>, wherein m= 1-3, X<sup>a</sup> is halogen and R<sup>7</sup> is hydrogen or a carbon based moiety of up to 24 carbon atoms, optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by halogen up to per halo.

12. A compound of claim 1 wherein L<sup>1</sup> is additionally substituted 1 to 3 times by one or more substituents selected from the group consisting of C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkyl, up to per halo substituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkyl, -CN, -OH, halogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkoxy and up to per halo substituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkoxy.

13. A compound of claim 7 wherein L<sup>1</sup> is additionally substituted 1 to 3 times by one or more substituents selected from the group consisting of C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkyl, up to per halo substituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkyl, -CN, -OH, halogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkoxy and up to per halo substituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkoxy.

14. A compound of claim 10 wherein L<sup>1</sup> is additionally substituted 1 to 3 times by one or more substituents selected from the group consisting of C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkyl, up to per halo substituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkyl, -CN, -OH, halogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkoxy and up to per halo substituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkoxy.

15. A compound of claim 1 wherein L<sup>1</sup> is substituted only by -C(O)R<sub>x</sub> . or -SO<sub>2</sub>R<sub>x</sub>.
  16. A compound of claim 1 wherein L<sup>1</sup> is substituted by -C(O)R<sub>x</sub> or -SO<sub>2</sub>R<sub>x</sub>, wherein R<sub>x</sub> is NR<sub>a</sub>R<sub>b</sub>.
  17. A compound of claim 7 wherein L<sup>1</sup> is substituted by -C(O)R<sub>x</sub> or -SO<sub>2</sub>R<sub>x</sub>, wherein R<sub>x</sub> is NR<sub>a</sub>R<sub>b</sub> and R<sub>a</sub> and R<sub>b</sub> are independently hydrogen or a carbon based moiety of up to 30 carbon atoms optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by halogen, hydroxy and carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen.
  18. A compound of claim 10 wherein L<sup>1</sup> is substituted by -C(O)R<sub>x</sub>, wherein R<sub>x</sub> is NR<sub>a</sub>R<sub>b</sub> and R<sub>a</sub> and R<sub>a</sub> are independently hydrogen or a carbon based moiety of up to 30 carbon atoms optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by halogen, hydroxy and carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen.
  19. A compound of claim 11 wherein L<sup>1</sup> is substituted by -C(O)R<sub>x</sub>, or -SO<sub>2</sub>R<sub>x</sub>, wherein R<sub>x</sub> is NR<sub>a</sub>R<sub>b</sub> and R<sub>a</sub> and R<sub>a</sub> are independently hydrogen or a carbon based moiety of up to 30 carbon atoms optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by halogen, hydroxy and carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen.
  20. A compound of Formula I:

$$A - D - B \quad (I)$$

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein

D is -NH-C(O)-NH-,

A is a substituted moiety of up to 40 carbon atoms of the formula: -L-(M-L<sup>1</sup>)<sub>q</sub>, where L is a substituted or unsubstituted phenyl, pyridinyl or pyrimidinyl moiety bound directly to D, L<sup>1</sup> comprises a substituted phenyl, pyridinyl or pyrimidinyl moiety, M is a bridging group having at least one atom, q is an integer of from 1-3; and

B is a substituted pyridyl, substituted quinolinyl, substituted isoquinolinyl, unsubstituted pyridyl, unsubstituted quinolinyl or unsubstituted isoquinolinyl group,

wherein L<sup>1</sup> is substituted by at least one substituent selected from the group consisting of -SO<sub>2</sub>R<sub>x</sub>, -C(O)R<sub>x</sub> and -C(NR<sub>y</sub>)R<sub>z</sub>,

R<sub>y</sub> is hydrogen or a carbon based moiety of up to 24 carbon atoms optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally halosubstituted, up to per halo,

R<sub>z</sub> is hydrogen or a carbon based moiety of up to 30 carbon atoms optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by halogen, hydroxy and carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen;

R<sub>x</sub> is R<sub>z</sub> or NR<sub>a</sub>R<sub>b</sub> where R<sub>a</sub> and R<sub>b</sub> are

a) independently hydrogen,

a carbon based moiety of up to 30 carbon atoms optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by halogen, hydroxy and carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen, or

-OSi(R<sub>f</sub>)<sub>3</sub> where R<sub>f</sub> is hydrogen or a carbon based moiety of up to 24 carbon atoms optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by halogen, hydroxy and carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen; or

b) R<sub>a</sub> and R<sub>b</sub> together form a 5-7 member heterocyclic structure of 1-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O, or a substituted 5-7 member heterocyclic structure of 1-3 heteroatoms selected from N, S and O substituted by halogen, hydroxy or carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen; or

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c) one of R<sub>a</sub> or R<sub>b</sub> is -C(O)-, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>5</sub> divalent alkylene group or a substituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>5</sub> divalent alkylene group bound to the moiety L to form a cyclic structure with at least 5 members, wherein the substituents of the substituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>5</sub> divalent alkylene group are selected from the group consisting of halogen, hydroxy, and carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which optionally contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally substituted by halogen;

where B is substituted, L is substituted or L<sup>1</sup> is additionally substituted, the substituents are selected from the group consisting of halogen, up to per-halo, and W<sub>n</sub>, where n is 0-3;

10 wherein each W is independently selected from the group consisting of -CN, -CO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>7</sup>, -C(O)NR<sup>7</sup>R<sup>7</sup>, -C(O)-R<sup>7</sup>, -NO<sub>2</sub>, -OR<sup>7</sup>, -SR<sup>7</sup>, -NR<sup>7</sup>R<sup>7</sup>, -NR<sup>7</sup>C(O)OR<sup>7</sup>, -NR<sup>7</sup>C(O)R<sup>7</sup>, -Q-Ar, and carbon based moieties of up to 24 carbon atoms, optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by one or more substituents independently selected from the group consisting of -CN, -CO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>7</sup>, -C(O)R<sup>7</sup>, -C(O)NR<sup>7</sup>R<sup>7</sup>, -OR<sup>7</sup>, -SR<sup>7</sup>, -NR<sup>7</sup>R<sup>7</sup>, -NO<sub>2</sub>, -NR<sup>7</sup>C(O)R<sup>7</sup>, -NR<sup>7</sup>C(O)OR<sup>7</sup> and halogen up to per-halo; with each R<sup>7</sup> independently selected from H or a carbon based moiety of up to 24 carbon atoms, optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by halogen,

20 wherein Q is -O-, -S-, -N(R<sup>7</sup>)-, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>-, -C(O)-, -CH(OH)-, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>O-, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>S-, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>N(R<sup>7</sup>)-, -O(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>- CHX<sup>a</sup>-, -CX<sup>a</sup><sub>2</sub>-, -S-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>- and -N(R<sup>7</sup>)(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>- , wherein m=1-3, and X<sup>a</sup> is halogen; and

Ar is a 5- or 6-member aromatic structure containing 0-2 members selected from the group consisting of nitrogen, oxygen and sulfur, which is optionally substituted by halogen, up to per-halo, and optionally substituted by Z<sub>n1</sub>, wherein n1 is 0 to 3 and each Z is independently selected from the group consisting of -CN, -CO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>7</sup>, -C(O)R<sup>7</sup>, -C(O)NR<sup>7</sup>R<sup>7</sup>, -NO<sub>2</sub>, -OR<sup>7</sup>, -SR<sup>7</sup>, -NR<sup>7</sup>R<sup>7</sup>, -NR<sup>7</sup>C(O)OR<sup>7</sup>, -NR<sup>7</sup>C(O)R<sup>7</sup>, and a carbon based moiety of up to 24 carbon atoms, optionally containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by one or more substituents are selected from the group consisting of -CN, -CO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>7</sup>, -COR<sup>7</sup>, -C(O)NR<sup>7</sup>R<sup>7</sup>, -OR<sup>7</sup>, -SR<sup>7</sup>, -NO<sub>2</sub>, -NR<sup>7</sup>R<sup>7</sup>, -NR<sup>7</sup>C(O)R<sup>7</sup>, and -NR<sup>7</sup>C(O)OR<sup>7</sup>, with R<sup>7</sup> as defined above; and

30 wherein M is one or more bridging groups selected from the group consisting of -O-, -S-, -

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N(R<sup>7</sup>)-, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>-, -C(O)-, -CH(OH)-, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>O-, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>S-, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>N(R<sup>7</sup>)-, -O(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>-CHX<sup>a</sup>-, -CX<sup>a</sup><sub>2</sub>-, -S-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>- and -N(R<sup>7</sup>)(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>-, wherein m= 1-3, X<sup>a</sup> is halogen.

21. A compound as in claim 20 wherein the cyclic structures of B and L bound directly to  
5 D are not substituted in the ortho position by -OH.

22. A compound as in claim 20 wherein substituents for B and L and additional  
10 substituents for L<sup>1</sup>, are selected from the group consisting of C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkyl up to per  
halo substituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkyl, CN, OH, halogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkoxy and up to per halo  
substituent C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> alkoxy.

23. A compound of claim 20 wherein L<sup>1</sup> is substituted by C(O)R<sub>x</sub> or SO<sub>2</sub>R<sub>x</sub>.

24. A compound of claim 23 wherein R<sub>x</sub> is NR<sub>a</sub>R<sub>b</sub> and R<sub>a</sub> and R<sub>b</sub> are independently  
hydrogen and a carbon based moiety of up to 30 carbon atoms optionally  
containing heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and optionally substituted by  
halogen, hydroxy and carbon based substituents of up to 24 carbon atoms, which  
optionally contain heteroatoms selected from N, S and O and are optionally  
substituted by halogen.

25. A compound of claim 1 which is a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of a compound of  
formula I selected from the group consisting of

- a) basic salts of organic acids and inorganic acids selected from the group  
consisting of hydrochloric acid, hydrobromic acid, sulphuric acid, phosphoric  
acid, methanesulphonic acid, trifluorosulphonic acid, benzenesulfonic acid, p-  
toluene sulphonic acid (tosylate salt), 1-naphthalene sulfonic acid, 2-naphthalene  
sulfonic acid, acetic acid, tridluoroacetic acid, malic acid, tartaric acid, citric  
acid, lactic acid, oxalic acid, succinic acid, fumaric acid, maleic acid, benzoic  
acid, salicylic acid, phenylacetic acid, and mandelic acid; and  
b) acid salts of organic and inorganic bases containing cations selected from the  
group consisting of alkaline cations, alkaline earth cations, the ammonium

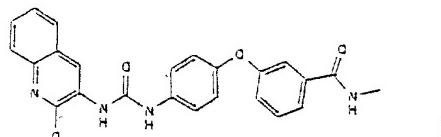
cation, aliphatic substituted ammonium cations and aromatic substituted ammonium cations.

26. A compound of claim 20 which is pharmaceutically acceptable salt of a compound of formula I selected from the group consisting of
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a) basic salts of organic acids and inorganic acids selected from the group consisting of hydrochloric acid, hydrobomic acid, sulphuric acid, phosphoric acid, methanesulphonic acid, trifluorosulphonic acid, benzenesulfonic acid, p-toluene sulphonic acid (tosylate salt), 1-naphthalene sulfonic acid, 2-naphthalene sulfonic acid, acetic acid, tridluoroacetic acid, malic acid, tartaric acid, citric acid, lactic acid, oxalic acid, succinic acid, fumaric acid, maleic acid, benzoic acid, salicylic acid, phenylacetic acid, and mandelic acid; and
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b) acid salts of organic and inorganic bases containing cations selected from the group consisting of alkaline cations, alkaline earth cations, the ammonium cation, aliphatic substituted ammonium cations and aromatic substituted ammonium cations.
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27. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of claim 1 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of a compound of formula I, and a physiologically acceptable carrier.
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28. A pharmaceutically composition comprising a compound of claim 20 consistent with formula I or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, and a physiologically acceptable carrier.
29. A method for the treatment of a cancerous cell growth mediated by raf kinase, comprising administering a compound of Formula I of claim 1.

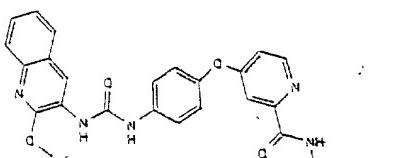
30. A method for the treatment of a cancerous cell growth mediated by raf kinase, comprising administering a compound of Formula I of claim 20.

31. A compound selected from the group consisting of

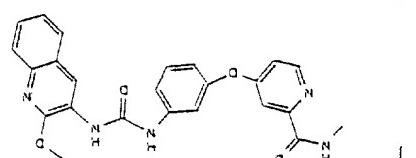
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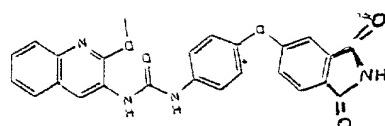
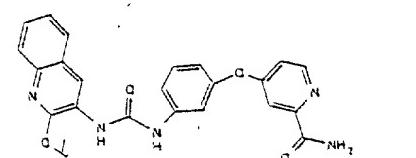
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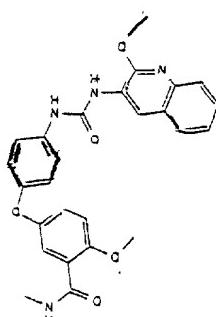
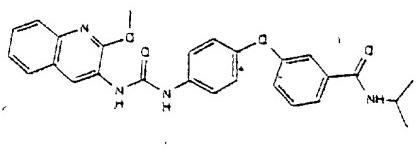
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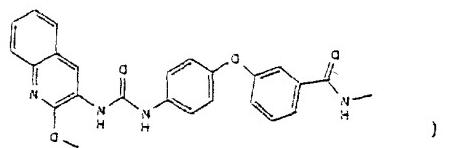


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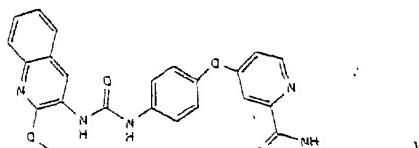
and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

32. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound selected from the group consisting of

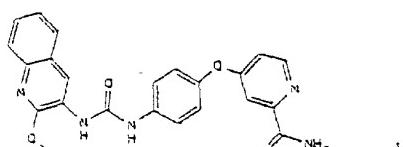
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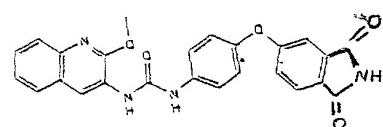
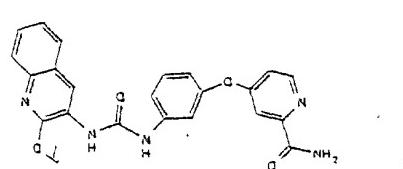
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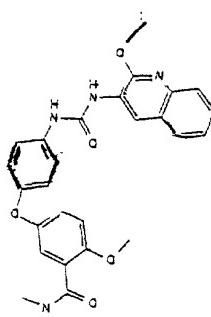
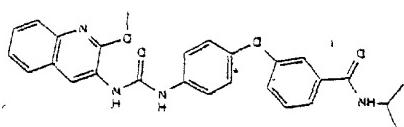
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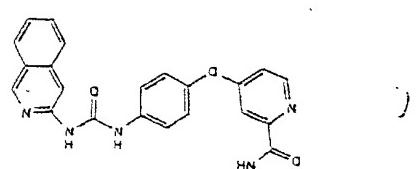
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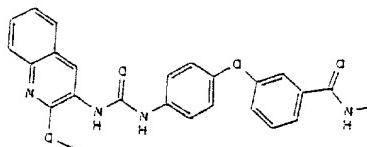


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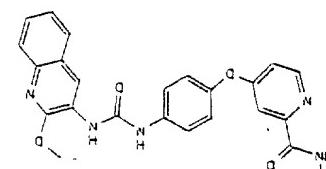


and their pharmaceutically acceptable salts, and a physiologically acceptable carrier.

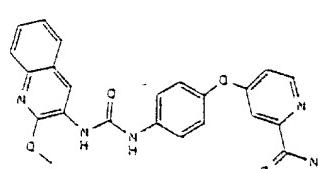
33. A method for the treatment of a cancerous cell growth mediated by raf kinase, comprising administering a compound selected from the group consisting of



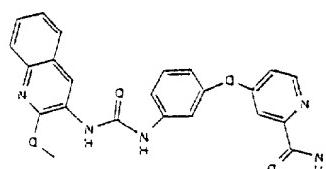
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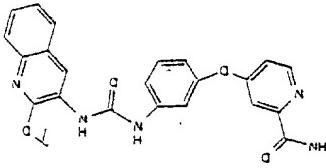
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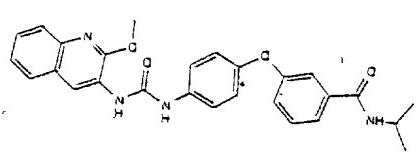
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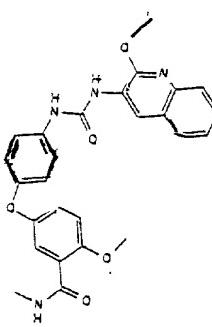
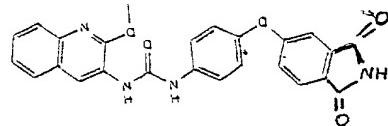
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